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In re Application of:

Patrick A. Raymond et al.

Serial No.: 09/466,025

Filed: December 17, 1999

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DETECTING THE PRESENCE OF
A HOT PLUGGABLE COMPONENT
IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM

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RESPONSE

In response to the Official Action mailed on October 2, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the remarks set forth below.

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 stand rejected, of which claims 1, 6, 10, and 12 are independent.
Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 4-6, 9-12 and 15-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by MacGregor et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,525,795). The Examiner's rejection is too